

Porlock Community Library Report
Porlock Parish Council Meeting 10th July 2024

The new Library Management System (LMS) continues to be rolled out. There have been bumps in the road and, currently, no library is able to offer a full service. Customers, hopefully, see little difference, but stock work and adding new titles to our shelves have had to be put on hold until that part of the system is fully embedded. The Porlock Community Library volunteers are continuing to be trained “on the job” and appear to be finding the new system, despite its glitches, easier to work around.

The talk by the Network Lead for micro providers was poorly attended - there being no members of the public present. However, Cllr Duncan McCanlis and I found it very informative. The West Somerset Micro Provider team hope to be able to work with the Parish Council on various levels and their lead is now liaising with the Clerk.

Classes from St Dubricius visited the library three times last month as part of Passion for Porlock. As it is logistically difficult for Oaks Nursery to visit, I take the library to them once or twice a month for a Storytime. The library was also invited to lead an assembly to promote the Summer Reading Challenge, which started last Saturday (July 6th). Hopefully, children of all ages will register for the free to take part in Challenge. Six, free, craft mornings have been organised during the school holidays.

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